Communications Network by Hughe Network System of US

21. SHRI SURESH KALMADI:
SHRI GOVINDRAO RAMRAO ADIK:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the US-based Hughes Network Systems has been granted permission to start a private communications network in the country; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor as it signifies departure from Government's earlier restriction on private companies operating in the sector?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

Low Rates of ISD Calls

22. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Telecom network has found any merit in associating with MNC Telecom units to bring down prices of ISD calls;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, what strategy is proposed to be adopted to make prices of ISD calls more reasonable?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) Sir, there is no proposal under consideration of the Department for associating with MNC telecom units for providing international telephone services. ISD Service is provided through VSNL only at present and VSNL's monopoly for provision of ISD telephone service will continue for some more years.

(b) Question does not arise in view of (a) above.

(c) It is not been possible to provide concessional rates for the ISD services due to administrative and technical reasons.

महाराष्ट्र में इलेक्ट्रानिक टेलीफोन केन्द्र

23. **श्री विट्ठलराव माधवराव जाधव:** क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) महाराष्ट्र में वर्ष 1994 के दौरान अब तक स्थापित किए गए इलैक्ट्रानिक टेलीफोन केन्द्रों का जिला-वार ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि महाराष्ट्र का पिछड़ा क्षेत्र मराठवाड़ा टेलीफोन सुविधाओं की दृष्टि से भी पिछड़ा हुआ है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो 1994 में इस क्षेत्र में कौन-कौन से स्थानों पर नए टेलीफोन केंद्र खोले जाने की संभावना है?

संचार मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री सुखराम): (क) ब्यौरे विवरण-1 में दिए गए हैं। **(नीचे देखिये)**

(ख) जी, नहीं।

(ग) मराठवाड़ा क्षेत्र के उन स्थानों के ब्यौरे जहां पर नए टेलीफोन एक्सचेंज खोले जाने की संभावना है, विवरण-2 में दिए गए हैं।

विवरण-I

महराष्ट्र में 1994 के दौरान अब तक (जनवरी, 94 से) स्थापित किए गए इलेक्ट्रानिक टेलीफोन एक्सचेंजों के राज्यवार ब्यौरे

क्र०सं०	जिला	एक्सचेंज का नाम
1.	अहमदनगर	पथराड़ी
2.	अकोला	उमरडाबाजार
3.	"	मुंडगाव
4.	"	धानज
5.	"	कमारगांव
6.	अमरावती	नलखेड
7.	"	निभी
8.	औरंगाबाद	घाटनंदर

क्र०सं०	जिला	एक्सचेंज का नाम
9.	"	वैजपुर
10.	"	अडगांव (बी०के)
11.	बुलदाना	नन्दुआरा
12.	जलगांव	जलगांव
13.	"	रावेर
14.	नागपुर	भीवापुर
15.	"	शिवनेर
16.	"	उमरेर
17.	"	नारखेड
18.	"	कनवान
19.	"	राकटेक
20.	"	टिनखेरा
21.	"	पीपला
22.	"	नारी
23.	नान्देड	किनी
24.	"	राहटी
25.	"	कुंलूर
26.	नासिक	मनमाड़
27.	"	घोटी
28.	"	मालेगांव
29.	"	दावचवाडी
30.	ओसानाबाद	तुलजापुर
31.	परभनी	डूंगर खेडा
32.	रायगढ़	पोलादपुर
33.	सतारा	कटार खाटव
34.	"	दहीवाड़ी
35.	"	शेन्दर
36.	शोलापुर	शोलापुर
37.	ठाणे	बासिन
38.	"	टारापुर
39.	"	मुरबाद
40.	"	डोंबीवली
41.	वार्धा	सालोद

विवरण - 2

महाराष्ट्र में 1994 के दौरान (दिसम्बर, 94 तक) संभवतया जिन स्थानों पर टेलीफोन एक्सचेंज खोले जाने हैं के ब्यौरे

क्रम सं.	स्थान का नाम
1.	लाड़
2.	सावांगी
3.	हरतीपोखरी
4.	जलधारा
5.	ओस्मान नगर
6.	मनावत रोड
7.	हयात नगर
8.	करवाडी
9.	नदागांव
10.	सोंरेगांव
11.	माहिसगांव
12.	येली
13.	दहीताल
14.	वारखेड
15.	सीरसगांव
16.	नियोन
17.	अंभोरे
18.	कालेस
19.	खेलनगाड़ी
20.	मोहगांव
21.	वंजरवाडा
22.	भाडा
23.	अलमेडा
24.	घिंडगांव
25.	खूंडेगांव
26.	शिवनी
27.	खारड
28.	शिरोल जानेपुर
29.	देवथाना
30.	अंबोरे
31.	उजाडी
32.	शिराला
33.	सीरासमार्ग

34. श्रीरासदेवी
35. ईत
36. इन्दापुर
37. इतकॉर
38. मोहा
39. सालसोर
40. खोंड
41. शेलेगांव
42. मंगरोल
43. काटी
44. होरटी

Waiting List of Telephones in Hyderabad

24. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the waiting list for telephones as on 31.1.94 in Hyderabad;

(b) by when will this list be cleared;

(c) what is the total amount of deposit for new telephones in Hyderabad; and

(d) the steps being taken to improve telecom service in Hyderabad?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) Waiting list for Telephones as on 31.01.1994 in Hyderabad is 75766.

(b) As per 8th Plan objective the waiting period for Telephone connection is to be reduced to two years in large telephone systems and the exchanges are planned accordingly to meet this objective.

(c) Rs. 9,85,05,000/-.

(d) To improve Telecom Services, new exchanges that are being installed in Hyderabad are of digital Electronic technology and life expired Electromechanical exchanges in Hyderabad are also being phased out in a planned manner by digital Electronic exchanges.

Telephone Directory for Andhra Pradesh

25. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to bring out a Comprehensive Telephone Directory for the whole of Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, whether Government would examine the possibility of compiling a Telephone Directory for the whole state?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) No, Sir,

(b) Does not arise.

(c) This has been examined and found to be not practicable being time consuming and un-economical.

Privately operated PCOs in Hyderabad

26. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of people who have applied to Hyderabad Telecom for sanction of privately operated P.C.Os with STD/ISD facility;

(b) how many such phones does Hyderabad Telecom propose to release in 1994-95; and

(c) what steps Hyderabad Telecom is taking in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) 2437 persons have applied for STD/ISD public telephones in Hyderabad Telephones.

(b) About 500 public telephones.

(c) Applications will be called for before the meeting of the ISD/STD Public Telephone Allotment Committee and the Committee after proper scrutiny